

in circulating the whole or parts of the Bible. Thirteen thousand Bibles, or portions, are sent out every day. The speaker referred to the valuable work the Society had done in Canada. The first issue of the Society in a foreign language was one of the Gospels printed for the Mohawk Indians in 1804. It produced the Scriptures in the syllabic characters invented about sixty years ago by the Methodist missionary, Rev. James Evans. It has published 81,967 copies of God's Word for the native tribes of Canada in sixteen languages or dialects. Reference was made to the valuable help rendered the missionary societies working among the Maori tribes in New Zealand, and also to the immense aid given to the work of such men as Dr. Paton, of New Hebrides, and the famous MacKay, of Formosa. The Society had lately accomplished a great work in the free distribution of 100,000 copies of the Bible, or parts, among the army and navy of Japan. By its aid, also, a portion of the Bible has been placed in each of the fifty thousand dwellings in the city of Nagoya, the missionaries being the distributors. The value of the Society to missionary work was also shown in the fact that the people of Uganda now possess their completed native Bible; and it must be remembered that this country was first visited by Speke and Grant about thirty years ago. In closing his remarks the speaker referred to the work of the Rev. C. A. Sadleir, which he had lately taken up in Cholchol, Chili, among the Araucanian Indians. From this place would soon come the call for Bibles in the native tongue, and the Bible Society would again be looked to as the ready and invaluable assistant to Foreign Missionary work.

PROFESSOR FALCONER seconded this resolution as follows: Though Christianity draws its power from the present life of its founder, it is yet in a very real sense a Book religion. In the earliest days when the wistful hopes and tremulous expectations of the brethren that Jesus might be the Messiah were crushed by His death, their despair was succeeded by a deep delight, and at the daily love feasts they would strengthen one another's faith by proving out of the Scriptures that Jesus was the Messiah. Even then Christianity had its Scriptures of the Old Testament. But Time's sickle was busy, and before all the eye-witnesses died

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